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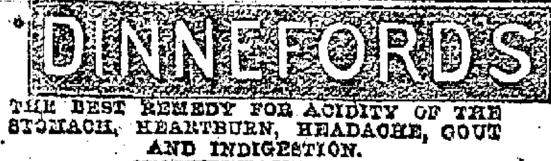
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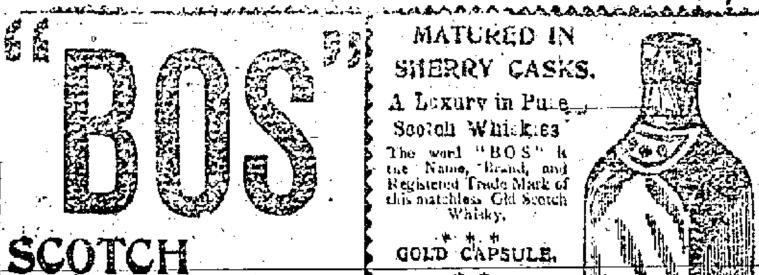
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ABy Command. T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hongkong, 10th December, 1898. 24 Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on

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Houghong, January 1, 1808.

DENTISTRY. SUI SANG. DENTIET No. B. Queen's Road Central.

WITNESS-BOX WIT A great outery was raised some seven years ago against the methods of the Bar in the cross-examination of witnesses. followed what was known as the great pearl case, in which the present Lord Chief Juatice, then the foremost advocate at the har. was alleged to have treated a cortain witness with great unfairness by adopting a line of cross-examination that incinuated that the jewel had been stolen by him. the of SALE of OROWN LAND by The only result of the long discussion upon the ethics of cross-examination was the vague conclusion that although some memest and drink. This is the kind of 'humour' which creates much amusement in the hers of the bar were occasionally tempted to make reckless conjectures the basis of oross examination, every barrister of reput observed the famous dictum of Sir Alexander Cockburn, that an English advocate Ac ing Colonial recretary, should maintain his client's cause with the sword of a soldier, not the dagger 2444 of the assassin. The conclusion that an advocate ought not to seek to dam-Particulars and Conditions of the Letting age the testimony of a witness by by Pardia Auction Sale, to be held on making him the subject of reck-Webnesday, the 28 hday of December, less insinuations was rather too obvious 1898, at 3 p.m., by Order of His Excele to be of much value: but the discussion and I'm pretty sure the defendant lency the Governor, of One Lot of was not altogether in value, since it enabled threw it, was the reply. Was it Orown Land, in the Colony of Hong- the Inte Sir Frank Lockwood to tell a story that deserves to be remembered. His was a largest stone? 'I should say it contribution to the discussion which the contribution to the discussion, which prosize? I should say it was a sizeable ceeded at length in the columns of the stone. Can't you say exactly how big it Times was a tiny epistle beside the change of the change o less valuable. I have read with interest, he wrote, the various letters on the subject of cross-examination. It ask the persistent advocate. Why, if I was appears to me that, in the general to compare it, answered the witness, 'I condemnation of counsel, your contributors | should say it was as large as a lump o' have lost sight of one side of the question chalk. Such stupidity is too grotesque to -namely, the grave difficulty in which be genuine. -- Globe. counsel is often put by the-I fear I must used a word which sayours of harshnessimpertinence of witnesses. Let me illustrate = | what I mean by a personal experience. I was engaged in conducting the defence of a person charged with cattle stealing. For obvious reasons I do not give the name. A witness deposed to seeing the beasts, " as he called them. in the Reduces, Roughness, heals Cutencous Eruptions, custody of the acquised. On cross-exa- Irritation, Stings of Insects, Eczama, Burns, mination, I ascertained that he was some imparts a logarisat beauty to the complexion, distance from the animals, and so saked - | and arrays the neck, hands and arms in match-'How could you tell they were beasts?' less whiteness, problemable by any other

Answer- Because I could see em. Ques- means. Ask Stores and Chemists for Rowland's tion-'How far off can you tell a beast?' Anawer- Just about as far off as I am from you. Now surely, sir, counontrages such as this. I distinctly remember that upon the occasion quoted I that down wid a stick! received sympathy from neither Benchnor the public nor, indeed, the Bar. The wit that shines from the witness-hox has OUR own manufacture are the best Piano, usually a strong flavour of importinence. for this climate, warranted to stand any, A witness in a recent police court case, thing, low prices and easy terms.—Robin-who contradicted the evidence of a police-son Piano Co. man, was asked whether he was prepared to describe the constable as a liar. No.' he answered, 'I won't exactly say the con- shows photo of herself, aged 18. stable is a liar, but I don't mind sayin' he's 'andled the truth most carelessly' This answer displays a delicacy of feel-

ing which is absent from the great the task an unpleasant one. A witness, from a particular place, answered very promptly. I was just four yards, two feet, and six inches off And how came you of worthless imitations and substitutes. to be so exact in the matter? asked the counsel, with a significant look upon his inquiring countenance. 'Because,' came

fool or other would ask me, and so I measured it. Humour in the witness-box is not nearly so plentiful as it used to be, if one may judge from the stories told in the memories of the leading advocates of days gone by. Probably one reason for the decline is that IS a splendid remedy for bowel complaints the present generation of counsel adopt to- in their various forms, both for adults wards witnesses a more conciliatory tone. The most successful cross-examiners are as every family should keep at hand, and those who have most thoroughly grasped the meaning of the familiar saying that honey catches more flies than vinegar. Baron Alderson once remarked to an advocate wno was notorious for the personal nature of the questions he addressed the witness, Really, you seem to think that the art of cross-examination THE GROUND FLOOR of the 'New is to examine crossly.' Such an imposition in the Colony. Suitable for High | pleasant results for the advocate who lay under it. One of the nearest instances of the tables being turned upon a bullying counsel was offered by a clergyman, who gave evidence at the Worcester Assizes in a horse-dealing case. He gave a somewhat confused account of the transaction in dispute, and the crossexamining counsel after making several blustering but ineffective attempts to ob tain a more satisfactory statement, anid,

Pray, sir, do you know the difference between a horse and a cow? 'I acknowledge my ignorance ' replied the reverend gentleman. I hardly know the difference between a horse and a cow, or between a bull and bully-only a bull, I am told, has horns, and a bully -here he made a respectful bow to the advocate— luckily for me, has

on the matter, remained very positive or charge. he alleged had been stolen from him, will please send their address, and he will the counsel for the prisoner; 'I have and 3 p.m. some ducks of the same kind in my own possession.' 'Very likely,' was the cool answer of the farmer: 'those are not the only ducks I've had stolen. In Lord Ellenborough's day the attitude of the Bench towards the witness-box was far less considerate than at the present time, and it was easy for a conflict to take place in which the judge got the worst of it. Such an experience once befell Lord Ellenborough himself. A bricklayer Contractors for the Supply of ALL appeared before the distinguished judge in clothes that were covered with his trade marks. 'Really, witness,' observed his lordship, when you have to appear before this Court, it is your bounden duty to be more clean and decent in your appearance.' Upon my life, replied bricklayer, 'if your lordship comes to that, I'm thinking I'm every bit as well dressed as your lordship. 'How do you mean?' Lord Ellenborough demanded angrily.

Why, faith I you come here in your work. ing clothes, and I'm come in mine. Witticisms are a favourite resource of the prevarieating witness, but they usually prove to be no laughing matter to the persons in whose interest they are perpetrated. The experienced cross-examiner does nothing to discourage the impertinence of such a witness, because he knows that it leaves upon the mind of the jury a strong impression that the witness is trying to keep something back from the court. Perhaps no better instance can be given of this flippant style of testimony than the followling account of a dialogue which took place between a female witness and a well-known member of the Bar at an Old Bailey trial at which Mr Justice Grantham was the presiding judge :- What ere you? the cross-examining counsel asked.
The witness was silent. What ere you? (Lately Practising with Dr. L. BAMATA) he repeated. - A woman, she slowly replied. What is your occupation? 'I do my house-work. And after that when you have done your house-work-what do of you do ? I go into the park. And that

is how you occupy your time " No, suswered the witness, amid one of many bursts of laughter. It is no laughing matter.' said the counsel sternly. 'I should be sorry, replied the woman, 'to laugh at you.' How do you live? Do you do needlework? Sometimes I do. La that your answer? Yes. How do you support yourself? How do I support myself? repeated the witness 'Yes, said the counsel. Do you mean, inquired the witness, 'How do I live ?' Yos, yes,' interrupted Mr Justice Grantham. The witness answered slowly and dramatically, 'I

court, but it is terribly mischievous to the cause which the witness has come to support, and gives therefore no trouble whatever to the counsel whom it is supposed to baffle. A far more difficult person to manage is the witness who thinks it funny to pretend to a greater stupidity than he actually possesses. Did you see the defendant throw the stone, a witness was asked in an assault case at the York Assizes. 'I saw 'a stone,

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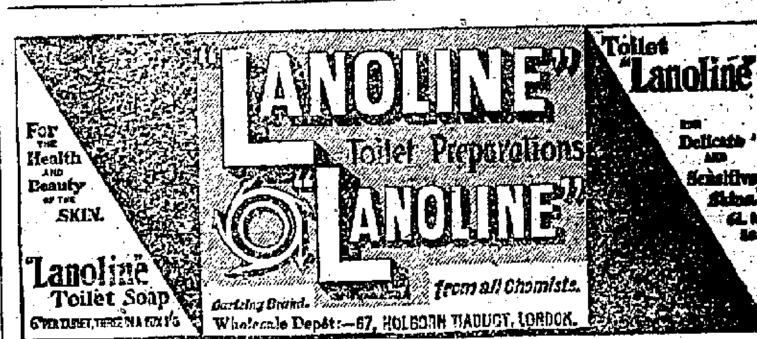


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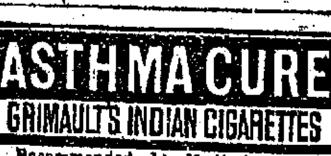
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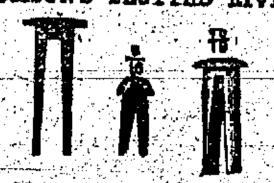
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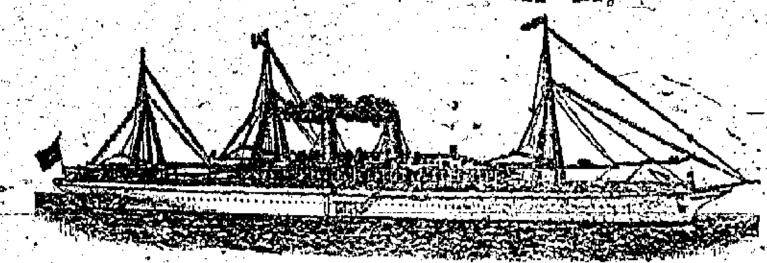
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A serour earthquake shock was experienced as Shanghai on the 18th inst.

Mn H. de Uriarte, Consul-General of to the funds of the Hospitals 1-Brain at Shanghai, is transferred to the charge of the Spanish Consulate General at New York.

Hobert, in Tasmania, from England, on the 28th November, with the members of of the Antartic expedition.

Or the 30th November, on the receipt of alarming news from Chemulpo, an officer | Naturalization of Wong Shu Tong alian and twenty-five marines were despatched Wong Ka Yau alias Wong Wing Kwan. post haste from Wellmiwei for the protoct tion of the Logation at Scoul.

L'Robo de Chine of the 19th inst. says the news is confirmed that Pere Victorin and a large number of Christians have been managed by the emulators of Yil Man-tze. The situation in Hupch is very serious.

THE United States are once again on the warpath. They have notified Turkey, that if the claims arising out of the late Armenian massacre are not settled shortly she will make a naval demonstration to enforce the Rek), has joined Major Marchand, and demands.

Governor of New South Wales, Lord Nile. Hampdon, has sent in his resignation to the Imperial authorities, and leaves in March next. Much surprise and a good deal of regret is felt at his family's depar-

Ma Charles Thorne, editor and proprietor of the Bungkoh Times, has undergone a surgical operation in a private hospital in London. According to latest information received at Bangkok, Mr Thorne was doing well under the care of Mr Reginald Hatrigen, apopialist.

Tax band of the Hongkong Regiment will play the following programme of music on Sunday, commencing at 4.15 p.m., near the Officers' Mess, Kowloon !-

Dans Is a Nuagos Waldingst.Jant. Harum Sourum Caseidy.

Tur two oruisers Isla de Lauson and Isla de Cuba, sunk by the American fleet in Cavite Bay and raised by the Hongkong and Whampos Dock Co.'s staff, arrived here today from Manila. The completion of the repairs to these two small cruise a will be undertaken by the Dock Company. The cruisers will prove valuable adjuncts to the United States squadron.

Department of Communications issues a Peace on earth and good-will, here's my notification that on and after the 1st January next, mail matter between Japan and the Japanese post offices in Korea and in China shall be treated as domestic mail, and the domestic rates of postage shall be applied. Commenting on this, the Kobe Chronicle says: This makes no change so And we, in Hongkong, will look back o'er far as Korea is concerned, but effects a great reduction in the postage to China, which at present stands at 5 sen per 15 And we'll think of the dear ones, aglow by grammes for letters and I sen for news-

DEALING with the Canton tes market for the wook ended 22nd inst., Messrs Deacon and to, write :-

Marao Congous .- The business of the past month amounts only to 4,050 Boxes at advancing prices to up to TIs. 38 per picul. The quality has been well maintained, but First Little Girl- We've got water in the supply has been unequal to the demand. The lower grades are in request, but none got water only in the cellar, in our house, are to be had, and no fresh supplies are expected this season.

Scented Capers.—The market is closed as far as buying is concerned, a few old settlements only remaining to be shipped. Stotal export will be 4,000,000 lbs.

Tonkin exchanges report that in the vill ages adjacent to Kwongchauwan, the new French acquisition in South China, placards | in the whole region-the Southern Hunthave been posted denouncing the French. who are contemptuously spoken of as * foreign devils,' with the customary politeness of the highly-civilised Chinese product. The placard contains fourteen paragraphs, nese Billingsgate. One paragraph alleges that the French intend to levy a poll-tax district; another that an impost will be mistaken. In spite of the indignant disgus raised on that humble utensil of the Chiness domestic economy—the chatty; and yet another that the French intend to call for the surrender of all native women and girls. Chinese merchants are warned not to have any dealings with the French been forwarded to Admiral de Beaumont, who will probably deal with the incendiaries through the Chinese officials. .

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A MENTING of the Legislative Council will he held on Friday, 30th December, at 3.00 Tin atenmer Southern Cross arrived at | p.m. Business,-Report of the Finance Committee. (No. 9.) Urders of the Day. -Bosond reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to smend the Waterworks Ordinanges, 1890 to 1897. Second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance for the

> REUTER'S TELEGRAMS. [SUPPLIED TO THE CHINA MAIL!] " London, December 22.

AERONAUTICS A steering balloon, started by the Daily Chronicle, left the Crystal Palace at Syden-

ham, and crossed the Channel in five hours.

FRANCE IN AFRICA. The Temps states that Capt. Largeau, commanding at Meshraelrex (? Meshra-eraccompanies him to Abyssinist All were well except a lieutenant, a sergeant and Owing to urgent private reasons, the eight Sonegalese, who are returning in the

> CHRISTMAS GREETINGS. Though miles intervene and the' oceans Our glad Christmas greetings ring over the

From the depths of the earth, from pole Heart communes with heart and soul com-

munes with coul. Then Hip I and hearny ! Tosa a humper to-day To the friends who are here and the friends

who re away. By his lonely camp-fire, 'mid the African Where in lavish luxuriance the dank-jungle

The explorer will think of his dear ones And picture the scene with a pensive de-And though thought be grey,

Toss a bumper to-day,

To the pride of his heart who is far far 'Mid the Antarotic snows, in the long Will be brave hearts who're fighting with grim death the fight.

With the icebergs around, and the crash of Still southward and onward, still onward No terror can stay! Toss a bumper to-day.

To the brave hearts who're fighting the Mid the pitilms best of the arid Sudan. A Toxio telegram states that the Japanese To-night will the heart of man turn unto

hand, brother mine, Let our friendship endurer boy, for dear

Auld Langsyne. Hip, hip, and hooray ! Here's a bumper to-day. To the friends who are here and the friends who 're away.

To the home of our youth where we're longing to be,

With the hunger and thirst of a heartfelt Then hip, hip, hooray

Here's a bumper to-day To the friends who are with us and those who 're away. TRANSPOSING and Cabin Pianos are invalu-

able and very strong. -Robinson Piano Co. every room in our house. Second Ditto-What an awful house to live in! We've and I know that's bad enough."

A TELEGRAM received at Shanghai on the 19th inst., from Peking, reports that a couple of days before Prince Ching held combined review of the troops of General Tung Fu-hsiang's Kansu Corps, and the Peking Field Force, aggregating exactly 60,000 fighting men. Every soldier and trooper was armed with a breach-loader and there was not the slightest indication of an antiquated musket or bow and arrow

THE Peking and Tientsin Times of the 3rd inst, says of the audience offered by the Empress Downger to the wives of the Foreign Representatives at Peking:-There are many other minor difficulties each transcending the other in choice Chi- which although of vital importance to those concerned, are utterly beneath notice in public sense, but which convey the impression nevertheless that the real-object of \$5 a-head upon all the natives of the and significance of the audience is being at any political significance being-attached to it which displayed in some quarters, the audience remains distinctly a political event, insemuch as it represents the break- value.-Robinson Piano Co. ing down-of yet more 'never been before in China's history, and the creation of a precedent which may have and should have a modicum of importance in China's social future. It foreshadows—remotely European overseer on the Hinlap section troops. A translation of the document has perhaps, but emphatically—the breaking of the railway, came on before Mr Stringer improvement was possible. down of social barriers for women in China and suggests embryonic possibilities for the elevation of women's status in China. It is something that has never been before, and which would probably have been deemed utterly impossible a few years ago ; something which represents another heist out of China's timehonoured ruts, and as such is an important and political event. If argument denies it this distinction, we fail to understand in what other light the matter can be regarded, and we certainly conclude from the extreme care being taken in the arrangement of all details, that it is thus viewed in

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PRAGRANT WATERS' MURMUR That the Hongkong Rogatta, under prasent conditions, furnishes a sad contrast to those of the good old days.

That many years ago, when nearly the whole of the community turned out hold a water pionic, when lines of gaily. tle cheers of the spectators greated every exhilarating to attend a Regutta.

the hong or chummery crows by the present balloting system has met the needs Sir Henry A. Blake, accompanied of a growing community.

feetival. That the Regatta is now little more than

a large two-days' gathering of yachta and. sailing boats, and taken from this point of view, the sight is both very interesting and exceedingly pretty. That although times change and

That Fillis is oredited with boing now in a battery. His Excellency inspected the ly lady.

That the incident of the Glenealy spoliation is programme with hints for the future. That most people know how the thing was hungled-firstly, by official carologaness, and secondly, by the tactics of those who should have done better by the com-That you seem to be somewhat rough

open the original owners, but I hear that, business, the original owners did everything they could to get the Chinese buyers to harry on towards the wrook of the admiration for your Excellency on their That the rights of property must be main-

tained, every one knows, but the peculiar conditions of this piece of land-selling have brought into view certain considerations which may have a very important bearing on the future of Hongkong. That those who run may read, and those who do not read may make a knot in handkerchief (or memories). That it is a pleasure to turn one's back on

this Glenealy business; it would be a blessing if one could turn our faces to-General Black (as has been suggested) had any responsibility in the Glenealy

the reins of Government here, has produced nothing but the greatest satisfac-

tion amongst all classes of the com-That the Chinese community had prepared

a different sort. That the gathering on the Murray Pier, and the words of the Hon. Ho Kai, will have the effect of intensifying the impresssion that General Black was one of English those products of the Military system of the British Empire who could either lead men and overcome enemies, or govern a The Respectful Address of the Chinese Com-

That the General and Mrs Black will be remembered long in the Colony, and they will doubtless reciprocate the good

That the early arrival here of Lord Charles Beresford should furnish the occasion of a ventilation of views which should do Your Excellency vacated the office of Acting good to all concerned-even the Chinese Government - the comparative post for barely ten months, but even in 'Sick Man' of the Further East.

not appear at the moment, there can be little doubt the High Authorities of China have now been shown the way to subsequent proceedings must be read tendered by Lord Charles. . That the Pantomime, 'The Yellow Dwarf,' and no words of ours can adequately ex-

of the community are fully charged with obtained during your administration. pantomimania. That rumour has it the show will be ex-(adults and youngsters) take part in the

older days (now in London).

Christmas and a Happy New Year, and have not ceased to be sung. many of them.

The preliminary hearing of the charge of murder brought against Mr J. Smart. 13th inst. Mr. Emart is alleged to have cal spot known as 'The Watch Tower of flung some fixew and at a Chinese labourer. about two months ago, and thereby to have caused his death. A number of policemon were examined, and the accused was some mark of your benevolence. committed for trial on a charge of manalaughter, before H. B. M. Censul-General and a Jury, on the 22nd inst.

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PRESENTATION BY THE CHINESE COMMUNITY H.E. Major-General Wilsons Black, C.B. left by the P. and O. mail steams Coromandel to-day for home, and there was a large assembline of all classes of the comdecorated cargo beats and barges lined munity at Murray Pier to bid farewell to the rowing course, and when the fran, the popular Major-General and his lady, and to wish them Godspeed on their voyage. favourite boat as it shot past, it was The band and the colour company of the King's Own Royal Lancaster Regiment That it may be argued the displacement of marched down to the pier took up position on the Praya. H.E.

by Lieutenant Lee-Norman, A.D.C., That the change has certainly given more rived early, and went off to the mail steamer facilities for Dick, Tom and Harry to in a man-of-wargig Amongst those on the become such; but the keen interest of pier were :-H.E. Sir Edward Seymour, the olden days has gone out of the rowing | Commander-in-Chief; Sir John W. Carrington, Chief Justice; Hon. T. Sercombe Smith, Hon. R. Murray Rumsey, Hon. F. May, Hon. R. D. Ormshy, Hon. Dr Ho Kai, Hon. Wei A Yuk : Colonel O'Gorman, we kong Regiment | Lieut. Colonel Rowland | remembrance of her, We did not need hit. On changing ends, Simmonds got Star Ferries have been sold at \$9.90 and son and officers of the King's Own Regi- this to recal! your kind remembrance of us, away from the throw-in, but missed a goal sid. some good rowing must be admitted ment; Surgeon-Colonel Evatt, Colonel but when we see it on our table it will all and only accord a sub. The R. A. still some good rowing must be admitted ment; Surgeon-Colonel Evatt, Colonel but when we see it on our table it will all and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved and only accred a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara have improved a sub. The H. A. atili Relative China Sugara sible the marvellous increase in the Murray Bain, Mr C. S. Sharp, Mr W. Cha- have given us. number and variety of outdoor sports tham, Mr J. J. Francis, Mr Hiller, Mr R. M. of late years, explains the decadence of Gray, Mr McConachie, Dr Rieloff, Mr G. the general interest felt in the wet-link Stewart, Mr Fung Wa Chuen, Mr Ho Fook, the pier, and proceeded on board the Colo- other pretty goal for his aids. On play department of the annual V R.O gather. Mr Ho Tung, etc. There was also a large mial launch Victoria. As the launch steam. being resumed, Hudson met the ball, and attendance of ladies. A large number of ed away the band played Auld Langeyne, brought it down in close proximity to the 3391, and are now wanted at 3411 ex divid-That, although the rowing was perhaps in friends had also gone on hoard the steamer. which seemed to affect the gallant General Navy gool. After some loose play near About a quarter to twelve o'clock,-H.E.

Own Regiment, and a salute from the shore | brusque, kind-hearted soldier and his kind- | relieved capitally, and the ball was soon position to start husiness as a silver mer- troops and than wished them a faw words of tarewell. In the midst of the farewells, Dr Ho Kai

intimated that it was the demre of the

Chinese community to present an address to His Excellency.
Dr Ho Rai said Sir, I have the honour. Hongkong, to present to you an address ! which I hope you will kindly accept. The address, drafted first in Chinese by the instead of siding the community in this | Chinese themselves, and afterwards translated into English, is the spontaneous outcome of an intense feeling of respect and part, and supports in a marked manner what I stated in Council the other day that I the Chinese fully appreciated your Exthe government and that the only regret they school are in ruins, and Mr Hudson's and Smith-Dorrien riding hard and in had was that it was all too short. This house will have to be rebuilt from the their places, and each taking his man, presentation will, I beliage, form an in- ground. Not a life was lost in their com- carried the hall right down the ground, teresting event in the history of this Co- pound, though how all escaped (80, includ- and eventually Smith - Dorrien put it lony, and show that our Chinese fellow- ing school children) is more than we can through the posts. After some give and citizens can and do appreciate a vigorous, explain save through God's mercy. A take play on both sides, in which H. R. H. and Hear hear.) During the ten months and Miss both being atruck on son got away from what certainly looked an nothing to eat, and still less to wear. that have just passed away, your Excel- the head by plaster or window-glass. lency administered the Government with Some Chinese must have perished in That I may be wrong, but I do not believe great energy, kindness and wisdom, the immediate vicinity of the explosion, and that administration, short though but no particulars can yet be gained.

it be, has given rise to universal Houses in a radius of a mile were more business, as he was as honest and straight satisfaction and admiration amongst all or less damaged, the tiles falling through as they make our officials nowadays, and classes of this mixed community. (Hear, but very few seem to have been seri- a goal. A little later on, after some fast he was not keen on preserving such land- hear.) To express their admiration and ously injured. The foreign houses and That the community were delighted to see sidents have requested me to present this all right except for broken window-glass diately after this time was called. The the good, worthy old General Black get address for your kind acceptance, and in and frames. Our children were each sleepthat send-off to-day, as few (if any) addition to present two pieces of Chinese ing in front of windows, but those windows embroidery for the gracious acceptance of were almost intact. Other windows crash-General, during the ten months he held intrinsic value, but simply serves as a token the reine of Garagnesis of Garagnesis for the second a glass of wine at his own fireside?

The people are like bees in a hive, unable Quarter, it was noticeable that the most of the second a glass of wine at his own fireside? That the straightforward policy of the Mrs Black. The embroidery has no great | ed to the ground in the rooms. of respect and esteem on the part of the to understand the situation. Many think the Naval team were still riding the Chinese for a lady who has by her kindli. Dr Main shot a cannon from Pao-soh-t'ah, same ponies, whereas the Gunners had The vexed question does not seem to be dominions. (Applause.) I will now call to blame.

> Mr Fung Wa Chuon read the address. which was in the following terms :-

munity of Hongkong, Presented to His BLACK, C.B., In Recognition of His Able Administration. Hongkong, 24th December, 1893.

YOUR EXCELLENCY. When on the 25th day of last November. Governor of Hongkong you had held the that short time measures have been taken That if the result of Lord Charles' tour do entitled by their importance and their merit to be placed on permanent record. In the supervision of the various branches

of the Government, in the promotion of real reform, and if they do not tread it, the the people's welfare, in the advancement of trade and commerce and in the encouragehistorically in the light of the advice ment of local industries Your Excellency's diligence and tact have been conspicuous, is in active rehearsal, and a very large press our admiration and our gratitude for number of the adult and juvenile portion | the tranquil prosperity which we thereby

The impartial consideration extended by you to all classes has been particularly ceedingly good, as some seventy players marked in the case of the Chinese and more especially during the recent epidemic. This you met with calmnoss and judgment, That the illuminated coloured cover of the and the measures which you took with the Programme is a thing of beauty, and approbation of the whole community were, is signed in the corner J. F. N., which | under the blessing of Heaven, finally suc-I take to mean Mr Noble, of the Hong- ceseful and the means of saving countless kong Bank, a son of the Mr Noble of lives. Had it not been for Your Excellency's sympathy and energy such good That the 'Murmurer' may now be per- results could not have been obtained, and mitted to wish his readers 'A Merry that, is why up to this day your praises

Your Excellency has been too broad minded to affect to despise public opinion, and you have always been ready to consult it when you were desirous of offecting improvements in the administration or in the condition of the people.

Without fear of adverse criticism Your Excellency might have confined yourself to the routine work of Government, but you were not content to rest satisfied as long as The perpetual preservation of the histori-

the King of Sung. will recall to the mind of future visitors that wherever Your Excellency's sway has extended you have left . We respectfully present this address to Your Excellency in token of our gratitude and admiration. We trust that all good fortune may attend you in the future, and that in the enjoyment of overy blessing

that heart can wish, and with increased honours you may attain a happy old age. hope that Your Excellency, will graciously Murrer, How Chamberlain's Cough most remarkable child of his age in the The address is bound in blue plush, with silver corner pieces of dragon design. It is a medicine I can recommend, and one centre plate bears the following inscription :- Farewell address of the Chinese CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA, AND | community of Hongkong to H.E. Major-DIABBETTA REMEDY is the most successful General Wilsone Black, C.B., on his departure from the Colony. Hongkong, De sale everywhere. Price, 50 ote., and \$1, Mesers Kelly and Walsh, and is a tine

absolutes of illuminated work.

Major General Black said - Dr Ho Rei. Mr Wel Yuk and members of the Chinese community. I deeply feel your kindness in hidding me farewell in this public manner I feel one often uses the word 'feel '-and I have done no myself - without shadutely feeling as I do now, because it is only those who depart who can feel the true ring of sorrow. I feel deeply this, because after tators, including H. R. H. Princess Henry forty-five years' service I am now to lay by my uniform for over. I have been very for. tunate and been rewarded beyond my merits, but I still have a lingering desire to weather. The Navy were At Home on continue to serve, but that is impossible. Therefore, I leave Hougkong with some degree of sadness, and the sadness, has been increased by the very kindly farewells lookers-on. The Teams were as follows :--offered to me. You have appreciated what I have done far too highly, but there is one Comder. Ethelston 1 Mr Hudson. thing that is true-I am no respector of per- | Capt. Smith-Dorrien 2 Capt. Simmonds. nons. I hold an honest man, a trustworthy | Capt. The Hon. Hed. S Mr Loring. man, be his colour or nationality what it may, ho is as worthy as one aprung from my own race. But this is not a time for speaking; sometimes one's heart is too full for speech. I feel so now, and I thank

Major-General and Mrs Black, which were | Loring met the ball, and carried it down to given with vigorous heartiness.

you sincerely from the bottom of my heart;

Dr Ho Kai called for three cheers for

THE TERRIBLE EXPLOSION AT HANGOHOW.

ERTIMATED LOIS OF LIFE | THREE THOUSAND The China Gasette publishes the followon behalf of the Chinese community of ingreport of the terrible powder magazine explosion at Hangehow !-

HARGOROW, 17th December, A great accident coourred here has night ust after dark; the powder magazines ex- a fine run down the ground, in which a ploded. They were two miles and more his forwards helped him considerably, from us, but less than half a mile from Lambton hit a good goal. On the ball Tien-sung-yao, so the ruin it moret, as again coming into play, the Navy made the regards foreigners, for the Southern Presty. most dashing and brilliant combinaterian brothren. Their church and girls' tion of the day, Lambson, Ethelston

higher Chinese houses in our vicinity are

the Northern end exploded about 6.30 on | call of time was :--Friday evening: of course, it will never Excellency, Major General WILSONE be known what caused the explosion. A guard of about 100 soldiers in the camp at the time have entirely disappeared. The force of the explosion was terrific, the estimated number of lives lost varying from 1,500 to 3,000, but, of course, the actual loss will never be known. know the camp well. I have often passed. it. About half-a-mile off was the Southern Presbyterian Mission compound, containing 4 dwelling houses, girls' school, and church. This compound is a perfect wreck. Half of the Church roof was taken completely off The side wall of the gil 's school was blown Lambton played a splendid game. We in. The ceilings nearly all fell and the walls | wish we could have seen him on a faster are cracked in all directions. One or two of pony Ethelston also played uncommonly the houses will have to be rebuilt from | well, and Smith-Dorrien, who was well the foundations. Including children, about | mounted, rode and played hard to avert eighty persons were on the premises, but defeat. only eight were injured, none seriously. We congratulate the Gunners on their Two foreign ladies were cut with broken victory, and hope to see the Naval team glass. Dr Main writes: 'In our house five | competing on every occasion. We hear the windows were blown right, out, smashed to R. N. have bought a considerable number atoms and the ceilings in four rooms fell and of ponies, and expect to see them give a all the walls are cracked. This it must still better account of themselves at the be remembered in a house quite two miles | next Tournament. off. All the foreign-built houses in the city seem to have suffered in a similar way. Even in the Foreign Concession, three or rains. You ask about Dr Main's Hospital. It depends upon who is getting the best of arguments, explanations, and much wilify. I am thankful to say that, apart from it. broken windows, this does not seem to have suffered much. The Hospital is well built, This astonishing declaration appears as and quite two miles form the scene of the telegram from London under date of Nov-

> Prano Tuning and Repairs, New Music, Mandolins, Banjos, fine stock,-Robinson Piane Co.

THE Tonnage Dues Bill was submitted by the Japanese Government to the House of Representatives on the 14th inst. Article having arrested two Chinamen yesterday, 1 of the Bill reads :- Each vessel engaged while in the act of conveying thirty-four in foreign trade shall pay tonnage dues at time of opium from the s. s. Wongkon the rate of 10 sen per ton of registered ton- | One was a British subject, and the other nage on arrival at any open port. When a Siamese. The opium was carefully con a vessel pays 30 sen per ton of registered tonnage in a lump sum, such vessel will for glers were quite close to Wang Lee's rice one full year be clear of tonnage dues at mill when they were caught. They will the port where such amount has been paid. be brought before the Court.

district, and though it has only been introduced a few months it has taken the land. From remarks made by my enstomers that it possesses exceptional qualities. never hesitate to recommend it to all who are in need of a good cough mixture. CHARBERLAIK'S COUGH RUMEDY IS for

General Agends to Waterame & Co.

· IT IS REMARKABLE,

Cap was played on Friday, December 16, between the Navy and Royal Artillory. There was a very large attendance of specof Prussia. Indeed the fair sex were very much in evidence, despite the bitterly cold the ground, and dispensed welcome hospitality to the interested but semi-frozen

noto.

PINAL TIE FOR HON. F. H. MAY'S OUR

The final tie for the Hon. F. H. May's

worth Lambton Rear. Admiral H. R. 4 Capt. Burney.

H. Prince Henry of Prussia. At the commencement of the game the Naval team defended the Stable goal, the Gunners the Nullah end. On the throw-in

his adversaries '25. A scramble in front Major-General Black - I forget to thank of goal resulted in Loring scoring the first you on behalf of my wife for your kind point for the Gunners, with a fine clean Major-General and Mrs Black then shock after some fine play by all numbers of the hands with the many friends gathered on team, Simmonds succeeded in scoring anvery much. Handkerchiefs and hats were the goal, he scored a subsidiary. On the Great Fastern and Galedonians have been the plucky rowing of the Portuguese Major-General Black and Mrs Black are waved until the launch was nearing the hit out from behind, the Navy played up members and the long swinging stroke of rived, and were received with a General steamer, and everyone felt a pang of regret better, and Lambton and Ethelaton carried Armstrong's crews were features of the sainte by the colour company of the King's at the departure from the Colony of the the ball down to the B. A. 25, but Rurney brought back again by Simmonds and Lor- kong and Whampon Docks advanced coning to their adversaries '25.' Some rather siderably, and sales have been effected at sorombling play in front of goal (in which various rates up to 200 per cent. premium, Burney was an interested spectator of his but at the close the market is easier with ney. He outsily wheeled his puny, and taking a most deliberate aim hit a splendid goal from quite thirty five yards | Roore !---

> ROYAL NAVY NIL. On changing ponies, the Navy suddenly woke up, and amounted the offensive. Afte and having it all his own way scored a goal. Un the resumption of hostilites the Navy bination by Lambton, Ethelston and Smith. of rage and jealousy, amothers her." Dorrien resulted in the first-named hitting which Smith-Dorrion scored a sub. Imme-

ROYAL NAVY 8 goals 1 sub.

ROYAL ARTILLERY,... 8 goals 4 subs. ROYAL NAVY, 3 goals 2 subs. The game was fast throughout. The R. A. showed a very fine and unselfish comination, as well as good hitting powers. Burney was as safe as usual at back, and never lost his head for a moment. Simmonds was in his very best form, and played 'like a book.' Loring makes a good Mr. Arthur Roberts, in his 'Life and three, and hits hard and true, and Hud-

son also played a fine game for his side. H. R. H. played with great dash, but was not always quite sure of his strokes.

four miles away, very many panes of glass Jimmy: 'Is your sunt on your mother's or were broken. Of course the Chinese have your father's side? Tommy: Sometimes suffered terribly and many streets are in on one side and sometimes on the other.

> ember 14: An American-European Company, with a capital of 400,000,000 dol (£80,000,000), proposes to lease the Philip pines from whoever are declared the owners. and to make Prince Henry of Prussia

THE Bangkok Times of the 12th inst. says -One of the Customs officers reports

THERE is a child on exhibition at the CAYS MR W. WILSON, THE PO Daikokuza Theatre in Kobe who, if the FULAR Chemist at Rawarpund and claims on his behalf are true, must be the Remedy has attained a prominence in this world. He is said to be only four years and two months old, but it is promised he will answer questions in English. Brench. Russian, Chinese, Korean or Hawaiian who have used this remedy, I am convinced He will compete in intellectual power with the audience, lecture on science and education-about which, with his alleged accomplichmente he should know a good dealand forthermore will read, oipher and answer questions on that abstrace embiect the history of Japan - Robe Chronide.

HUNGKUNG SHARE MARKET Mesara Benjamin, Kelly and Potts, in their wookly share report, dated Hong. kong, 23rd December, write !--

There has been a fair husiness effected during the week, and most atooks are steady at quutations. We take this oppose tunity of wishing all our clients the compliments of the season and a very merry

Banks - Hongkong and Shanghal Banks hove declined slightly, and shares have changed hands at 247 and 248 per cent. premium, the market closing steady at the letter rate. The London quotation has further advanced to £54. Nationals remain quiet, with shares offering at \$174. Marine Insurances. - A few China Traders have been placed at \$62. Unions are in the market at 8230. Straits are offer-

ing at \$7. Fire Insurances .- With the exception of a small sale of China Fires at 888, there are no changes to report in stocks under

this heading. Shipping. - Douglas Steamshipshave been placed at \$52. Indo Chinas have been bought at \$60 and \$61, and close with sellers at the last quotation. A fair number of Hongkong, Canton and Magao Steamboats have been done at \$261. China and Maniles have again changed hands at 1835.

Mining .- Punjoms are essies end. Olivers B have been booked at \$54. placed at \$7.80 and \$8, closing with sellers at 871. Queen Mines have heen negotiat-

forwards' play) anded in the ball leaving collers at 289 per cent premium. Kowloon the sprimmage, and coming towards Bur. Wharf shares are in demand at \$15. New Amoy Docks have again been done at \$141 and are wanted at the rate.

Lands Hotels and Buildings - Hales of ROYAL ARTHLERY, ... 8 goals, 8 subs. Hongkong Lands have taken place at \$75, Hongkong Hotels have been placed to a fairly large extent at 150 and are now wanted at 269. China Providents have been sold in large percels at \$104. Hum. phreys Return have changed hands at \$8.65

> Cotton Mills.—No business to report. Miscell meeous.—Green Island Cements remain firm at quotations. A.S. Watsons are ensier with sellers at 8121. Electrics have been done at \$101. Fenwicks are in demand at \$31 but no sales are reported.

REALIBATION. - POOT LOVET- I'd always

A carrique on Othello contained the following :- The Moor, seizing a bolster full

WHEN Drury Lane Theatre was burning, Sheridan, who had his all invested in it, was found at a coffee-house opposite sipping a glass of sherry; and when somebody remarked that he was singularly placed under the circumstances he replied, Why shouldn't a man be placed when he is having

ness and gentleness attracted so much affect just outside the city! Even the man-all fresh mounts. Perhaps it was partly settled yet as to who were Admiral Dewey's tion and admiration to herself. (Applause.) darins came to the hospital to inquire why owing to this, that the Navy team fell primogenitors. In a Chicago journal ap-We hope you will have a pleasant voyage he had fired the cannon into the city! off so much in their play; in fact pears the following paragraph;—Charles what was almost a surprise for the home, and that your distinguished ability Even his buildings on the Pac-soh-t'ah hill it is rather hard for us to chronicle all the Dewey, brother of Admiral Dewey, who worthy old man, and the honest and will get further promotion, and you will were shaken, and many windows shattered. incidents of the game, as so many goals registered at the Auditorium Annex, higher administrative post in one of the I think they realize that where foreign proafter some recent sickening displays of important possessions of Her Majesty's perty has suffered so, the foreigners are not sub.; but this was almost their final effort, Tuoby and had been changed to Dewey and shortly afterward Simmonds, getting since the family had become American-Rev. Arther Elwin, of the Church away on the fast Tantivy, scored a goal. ized. This is the story of some ablest and most public-spirited among the Missionary Society here, kindly writes to Simmonds, in fact, eclipsed himself this wag, said Mr Dewey, and is along the leading Chinese, to read the address in us :-Yesterday I received three letters Quarter, and was constantly to the front, same line as the caricature in Judge showing from Hangehow with reference to the and in quick succession hit 4 goals. He the Admiral as an Irishman, an English-, terrible calamity that has befallen the made one particularly good goal at the man, a Scotchman, a German, a Frenchcity. It seems that the gun-powder stable end, being ridden off the whole man and a member of several other nationstored at the camp inside the city at time by Smith-Dorrien. The total at the slities. The Dewey family is English on years. I and my brothers are the ninth American generation, the first Dawey coming to Dorchester, Mass., from Sandwich, England, in 1633. On my mother's side we are descended from William Pynchon, founder and Governor of Springfield, Mass., and Treasurer of the Bay Colony.

> Adventures,' tells a stroy of the Mauchester Exhibition. The exhibit of a wellknown firm of biscuit-makers contained a tray of waters surmounted by a card bearing the inscription, Please take one card suggested an opportunity for some fun. I said to a friend with me, Just enter into conversation with the lady in charge of the stall. I have an idea. He did so, and while the lady's back was turned I abstracted the card and placed it on a stall where tins of condensed milk were exhibited. My friend and I moved a little distance away, and awaited the progress of things. A countryman, with his wife and children, came sauntering along. He caught sight of the card, "Please take one." He spoke to his wife, and looked again. The family held a short consultation, and the man, his wife, and their son-and-heir severally picked up a tin of condensed milk and walked onwards. Excursions and alarums! There were heated await the issue of events.

CHURCH SERVICES. ORDER OF CHORAL SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S

CATHEDRAL -XMAS DAY, DEC. 25. Matins and Holy Communion :- Processional Hymn, 60; Responses, Tellis; Venite, Crotch; Proper Psalms, XIX (Monk), XLV (Oussley and Macfarren) and LXXXV (Tuyle); To Deum, R. Smart in C : Benedictue, Barnby in E : Anthem. With all Thy hosts, J. E. West; Kyrie, Stainer in F. Crede, Stainer in F ; Offertory Hymn, 59 : Sursum Corda, Stainer in F Sanctus, Stainer in F Agnus Dei, Stainer in F; Hymns, 319, 313 and 324; Nuno Dimittis, Tonne Perigri. nue; Stainer's Sevenfold Amen. wonsong :- Responses, Tallin Proper

Pasints, LXXXIX (Hayes, Woodward and Monk); OX (Ouseley and OXXXII Gilbert); Magnificat and Nune Dimittie, Bruce Strane in F Carols, Lake silver lamps, Steggall The first Nowell, Traditional and 58: Voluntaries. Hamns. 62 (Mariah). Halleluish Handel.

UNION CHURCH .- BUNDAY, DEC. 24. a.m.: Hymns, 37, 39, 35 and 36 . Authem, of There were Shepherds. Vincent Voluntary, Dreat. D. D. 1-Hymne 81, 35, 39, 41 and 3 (tone 97) | Columnia Lines |

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Under the distinguished Petronage of Vice-Admiral Sir Ebward Honart BRYMOUR, R.C.B., R.N. By kind Permission of Captain the Hou. BEDWORTH LAMBTON, and Officers of

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be given to Navel Charities. Hongkong Dacember 22, 1898.

Intimations. EYE-SIGHT

Mr. N. LAZARUS. Occuliate Optician, of London and Calcutta, of Hongkong, may be consulted for S' ECTACLES at. PLETOHER & Co. . PHARMACY, (Opposis the Honogona Horse). Business Hours : ... 9 8,m. to 0 p.m.

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KTOTICE is hereby given that the For the Banque de L'Ind . Chine; Hong-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 7, QUERN'S ROAD CENTRAL, on THURSDAY, the 29th December, at Noor, for the purpose of receiving the Reports Atha Directors together with a Sintement of Accounts for the year ending 30th June 1898.

LUTGENS, RINSTMANN & CO., General Agents, Hongkong, Docember 20, 1898.

NOTIOE.

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPIN-NING, WEAVING AND DYEING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NTOTICE is hereby given that the Final INSTALMENT of \$30 per SHARE on the Shares in shows Company becomes Due on the THIRTY-FIRST day of December next, and PAYMENT thereof, must be made to the Bankers of the Company, vis., the HONORONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING COR-PORATION, on or before that date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers. Bongkong, November 30, 1898.

To-day's Advertisements



GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

TT is hereby Notified that the Honglood VOLUNTEE S will Fire 7- POUNDED R.M.L. aud MACHINE GUNS from Sundy Bay in a South-Westerly direction, on MONDAY, the 2nd January, 1899, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. All Ships, Junks and other Vessels are

Cautioned to keep clear of the Range. By Command, T. SERCOMBE SMITH, Acting Colonial Secretary.

C LONIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, Hougkong, 23rd December, 1898. 2463



THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMA TIC CLUB, will produce a Pantomime entitled.

THE YELLOW DWARF, Harlequin the Knave of Hearts,

FAIR PRINCESS. On the following dates :-

THUR DAY, 5th January, 1899. SATURDAY, 7th MONDAY, 9th WEDNESDAY, 11th SATURDAY, 14th

The Ticket Office at the Theatre will be Opened on THURSDAY, 22nd December, at 10 a.m., and Seats our be Booked from It General Holidays excepted. Doors Open each Evening, at 8 p.m.

Performance, at 8,30 p.m. precis ly. Stalls and Dress Uiro a ... Pit Helf Price to Boldiers and Ballors in Uniform to the Pit. at Trains to the Posk a quarter of an

Lour after fall of the Curtain. E, W. MITCHELL,

Hork Secretary. Houghens, December 24, 1898.

· lo-day's advertisements



-the registration of trade MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898. Application for Registration of Trade Mark

NTOTICE is hereby given that CHARLES IN ALEXANDER KIRKE (has on the 8th day of November, 1898, applied for the Registration, in Hougkong, in the Register of TRADE MARKS, of the following TRADE MARK, the word "SUR" In the name of LEVER BROTHERS, LIMITED, who Olsim to be the Proprietors thereof.

The Trade Mank is intended to be used by the Applicants forthwith, in respect of the following Goods in Ciass 47, CAMBLES, COMMON SOAP, DETRACENTS, STAROR BLUE and all Goods included in Clara 47. factionile of the Trade Mark can be seen at the Office of the Columbal Secretary Hangkong,

Dated the 23rd day of December, 1898. H. L. DENNYA. Solioitor f + the Applicant,

THE RECISION AND MARKS ORDINANCE, 1898. Application for Registration of Trade Mark

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H.II. DENNYS. Wiliottan for the Applicant.

NEW YEAR HOLIDAY. TN Accordance with Ordinance No. 6 of 1875, the Undermention d BANKS will be CLOSED for the Transaction of. Public Business on MONDAY, the Sud January, 1839

For the 'Chartered Buck of India, Australia and China,1 T. E. BANSOM. Acting Manager, Hongkong. For the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-

ing Curpotation. T. JACKSON, Chief Manager. For 'Tuo National Bank of China. Limite L'

GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR, Chief Manager. For The Mercantile Bank of India, Limited,

JOHN THURBURN. Manager, Hongkong. Kong Agency. F. AUGUSTIN

For the 'Bank of China and Japan, Lid., Hong cong.

CHANTREY INCHBALD. For the Yokohama Specie Bank, Ltd., 8. **0**E0H.

For the 'Imperial Bank of Ohina,' E. W. RUTTER.

Acting Manager, Howkong. Hongkong, December 24, 1898. OHEAP FARE : TO MACAO.

TILE New Steamer KONG NAM. Captain Austin, R.N.R., will leave the Market Wharf daily, at 8 AM. for MACAO, Commencing on SUNDAY, the 25th Instant, (XMAS DAY), leaving MACAO at 2 P.M. for Hongroug Fares, Single Journey 1st Class (European)

Faren, 1st Cla # (Chinese). \$1 50. Private Cabins (European) 93 00. Tickets may be had on Board. Hongkong, December 24, 1898.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOODBOW. The Co.'s Steamship Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 28th In tant, at Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., General Mara 11274. Hougkong, December 21, 1898.



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Through Bills of Lading issued for BATA. VIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTIN ENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship PARRAMATTA, Capt. L Q. F. PRESTON, R.N.R., carrying Ho-Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, don, via Marseilles, Mr F. M. Firth, and Barometer 9 A.M.... 30.21 the 7th January, 1899, at Noon, taking Pessengers and Cargo for the above Ports. and Tex for London (nuder arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., wil be conveyed vid Bombay.

Parcels will be received at this Office s.m. to 4 p.m., every day; Sundays-and i until 4 p.m. on the day before salling. The contents and value of all packages are

Shippers are particularly requested note the terms and conditions of the Conpany's Bills of Lading.

Hongkone, Degember 24, 1894.

For turther Particulars, apply to H. A. RITCHIE. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office

Moderate monsoon to Polo Obi : thence to port, fresh monsoon and high sea. The British steamer Lienshing reports Strong N.E. winds and overcast The British steamer Pakhot reports Light Dr. W. breeds between Take to Che-

Vessels Advertised as Leading.

Date of Leaving. Destinosian. Frank Agunto. Anstralian Bopts Omi Blare (a) Nippon Yuson Raishs Dec. 80, at 4 pim. Bremen & Posts of Call Pring Heinrich (6).... Norddeutscher Lloyd Jan. 4, at 9 a.m. Hamburg und Antwerp Asturia (a) Caplowite & Commercial About Jan. 18. Havre and Hambueg., Holdsthern (s) Carlowitz & Co....... About Dec. 81. Robi Menmuir (a) Glbb, Livingston & Co. Den. 28, at nocu. London & Ports of Call Parramatta (s) P. & O. B. N. Co... Jan. Y, at noon, London via Bingapore. Riphinstone (s)...... Arnhold, Karberg&Co. About Jan. 8. Tiondon, v. Suez Canal Glenavon (s).......... Jardine, Matheson&Co About Dec. 29. Butterfield & Swire ... Droen ber 98. Tondon, v. Sues Canal Hector (a)........ Butterfield & Swire ... D comber 29. Manila..... (a) gangkiang (a) Manila..... Tailee (1)..... Shewan. Tomes & O D.c. 27, at 4 p.m. Marneillas & London, Hakata Marn (s), Vippon Yusen Kaisha Jan. B. at 4 r.m. Margeilles v. Balgon ... Srnest Simons (8) Messagories Maritime Dec. 81, at noon. NawYork v. Suez Can-t Vingul (s) Dodwell, Carllil & Co About Jan. 15. New York...... Onick despatch Ambold Karbarod Co. Quick despatch. Portland, Oregon Columbia (a)..... Dodwall. Carlill & Co. Jan. 28, at noon, San Diego v. Japan ... Carlisle City (a) ... Butterfield & Swire ... About Jan. 14. Q. Francisco, V. Jana: Contle (a) O. & O. S. S. C. Jan. 6, of noon. S. Francisco, v. Jane. Anten (s)........ Pacific Mail S. S. Co. Dec. 28, at noon. S. Francisco, v. Japan America Maru (s)..... Toyo Kireu Kaisha....Jan. 14, at noon. Seattle. Washington. Riojun Maru (s)..... Nippon Yusan Kaisha. Dec. 80. at 4p.m. Shanghat...... Chusan (s)....... P. & O. S. N. Co..... About Dec. 28. S'hai, N'ki, K'bé&Y'ma Malacca (s)....... P. & O. S. N. Co..... About Dec. 27. S'pore, Col'ho & B'bay Milke Maru (a) Ninnon Yuson Kalaha. Deo 87. at noon. S'tow, Amov & F'chow Haitan (a);..... Douglas Lapraik & Co. Dec. 28, daylight. Douglas Lapraik & Co Dec. 25, daylight. Swatow Amoy & Taui Haimun (s)...... Tacoma (Wash.). Sc., Clenogle (e)...... Dodwell, Carlill & C. Jan. 10, at noon, Vancouver (B.C.), & Empress of Ohina(s ... Canadian P'fic R. Co. Jan. 18, at noon.

To-day's Advertisements CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,

LIMITED. FOR SAMARANG & SOURABAYA. The Co. a Steamahlp

Captain Francis will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 2nd Prox., at noon. For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Agents. Hangkang December 24, 1882.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 28. Wonghel, British str., 1,115, Stopham, Bangkok Doo, 15, General. - BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hee, French steamer, 704, Murlis

Haiphong Doo, 20, General. -A. R. MARTY, Kronny Ping, Chinese str., from Canton, Documber 24. Lienthing, British str., 1,048, Purkls, Taku December 18, General. - JARDINE,

MATHESON & Co. Pakhoi, British steamer, 1,280, Stott, R. N. R., Taku Bar Dec. 19, Ground-nuts, BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE. Hsin Fung, Chinesestr., 1,836, Warwick,

Shanghai Dec. 21, General. -C.-M. S. N Isla de Luzon, American cruiser, Rowan, R.N.R., Manila Dec. 19. Isla de Cuba, American cruiser, Gyles, For KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA.

Woosing, British str., 1,109, Dawson, Shanghal Dec. 21, General,—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Cheang Hock Kian, British str., 960, Pentney, Singapore Dec. 15, General,-CHINERD,

DEPARTURES. December 24. Coromandel, for Europe, &c. Sullberg, for Haiphong. Indrani, for Shanghal. Clara, for Haiphong. Hiroshima Maru, for Kobe. Wingsang, for Shanghai. Sanuki Maru, for Singapore and London Glenartney, for Singapore and New York. Bamberg, for Singapore and Hamburg. Taishun, for Shanghai. Tetrerios, for Saigon. Pakhoi, for Canton.

Hein Fung, for Canton. Suisang, for Singapore and Calcutta. Liberal, Portuguese gunboat, for Macao. Fausing, for Singapore. Hikosan Maru, for Kutchinotzu. CLEARED. Knirsberg, for Hongay. Haimun, for Swatow. Belgie, for Manila.

Iolani, for New York. Saikong, for Tamsui. Derawongse, for Swatow. Hongkong, for Manila,

PASSENGERS.

Per Wongkei, from Bangkok, H.E. Th Governor of Macao and suite (3). -Per-Huc, from Haiphong, 36 Chinese. Per Woosung, from Shanghai, Mr C. Spencer, and 40 Chinese. Per Cheang Hock Kian, from Singapore, 331 Chinese.

DEPARTED. Singapore, Mr and Mrs Hunter and 2 in the Letter Box which has been placed in the children, Mr C. J. Demee, Major-General Wilsone Black, Mrs Black, Mr Henry Wharf. Local Rates will be charged. To avoid Mayer, Mr. Mrs and Miss De Burgh Persse; for Penang, Mr Loung Lok Hing; for Co- quested to cancel their stamps by writing the lombo, Mr E. H. Blatchford; for Ismailia. word stamped across them. Covers containing Mr and Mrs W. J. Latta, Miss E. A. Mid- Bank Notes, &c., should be registered. No dlebrook, Mr L. L. Collver, Mr and Mrs Sunday delivery. A. P. Robinson, Mr and Mrs R. W. Barton; for Brindisi, Mr and Mrs James Hogg, Mr W. J. Hogg, Messra H. Callaghan, J. O. Hutchinson, G. L. Hazard, Mrs R. M. Anderson, Mr I. J. Treves, Dr Angielo Orvieto, and Mr Giza Von Osztroluczky; for Marseilles, Mr A. Ardizzone; for Lon-Comdr. W. H. Taylor, R. N.; for London, Rev. Marshall Hartley, Mr E. J. Hartley, Lieut. A. B. S Dutton, R.N., Col. Most-Bilk and Valuables, all Cargo for France, gomery, Mr and Mrs David Reid, Miss Stuart, Messrs Peter Rankin and Wickham. From Yokohama : for Singapore, Mr and Mrs Houghton ; for Penang, Count Wydenbruck; for London; Mesers J. Vandray Braddon, T. Vickers, A. H. Dare, and H. Rayment. From Shanghai: for Singapore, Mr J. A. N. Pickering; for Penang, Mr and Mrs J. M. Dow; for

> Mr and Mrs Whitehouse. SHIPPING REPORTS. The British steamer Wongkot reports

Bombay, Mr J. E. Juddah ; for Port Said,

Macdons, Mrs and Miss Fiske; for London,

Mr Von Schoultz; for Brindist, Mr J. E.

foo; thence to Heishans, strong N. to N.E. winds and strong monsoon, with dull cloudy weather to Pedro Blanco. The British steamer Wooming reports : Very strong monsoon to Chapel Island hen moderate to port.

POST OFFICE NOTICES. MAILS will close:-

For PWATOW-SING&PORES DANG KOK.-Per Devetonges, at Ba.m., on Sunday. the Sain December. For CASTON.

Par Fatshan, at & s.m., on Bunday, the Mit December. For HONGAY. Por Bnipiberg, at 9 a.m., on Bundsy, the

Both December.

FOR NAGAS RY. KOBE & YOROHAMA Per Rabilla, at 9 a.m., on Monday, the 28th December. For WUCHOW .--Per Kongpak, at 9 s.m., on Monday, the 26th December.

For BINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOM-Por Micke Maru, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday. the 27th December. For MANILA.-

Per Belgie, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 27th December. Per Tiles at 9 s.m., or Tuesday, the - 27th December. For KOBE -Per Menmuir, at 10 a.m., on Wednes-

day, the 28th December. MOJI, KOBE. YOKOHAMA, HONOULU & SAN FRANCISCO .-Per Astro, Registration at 10.30 a.m., Latters 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 28 h D & mber.

Per Rigin Maru, at 8.30 pm., or Thursday the 29 h December. For PORT DARWIN THURSDAY IS LAND, COOKTOWN, TOWNS VILLE, BRISBANE SYDNEY, MELCOURNE & LAUNCESTON. Per Taiyuan, Registration, at 1.30 p.m. Letters, at 2 p.m., on Thursday,

the 29 h December. For THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNS-VILLE BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.— Per Omi Maru, at 3 p.m., on Eriday, the 30 h December.

MONEY LETTERS.—The Post Office decline all esponsibility for unregistered Letters containing bank notes, or jewellery, and, where Ragistration has been neglected, WILL MAKE SC enquieres into alleged losses of such letters (Post Guide, 98).

Registration. Correspondence can be re gistered for all Private Ship mails up to fifteen minutes before the time for closing; for the Shanghai or Japan contract mails up to a quarter of an hour before; for mails for Europe America, and Canada, &c., up to an hour before; for Indian, Northern Pacific, and Torres Straits mails up to half an hour before.

LOCAL DELIVERIES. Separate Boxes have been provided for posting Correspondence for the Town, Kowloon and the Peak. The Boxes are under the Window at the East end of the Verandah facing Queen's Road.

Letters, &c., for the Peak will be delivered by the 12 and 3.80 o'clock trains only. Correspondence and Parcels for the Peak may be posted in the General Post Office up to 11.30 s.m. or 8 p.m. With regard to letters from the Peak, Pillar boxes have been placed at Magazine Gap, Victoria Gap, Mount Kellett, Mount Gough, and Plantation Road, which will be cleared at 12.80 and 4 p.m.

Letters, parcels, &c., for Kowleon Point and Steamers in Harbour may be pested in the General Post Uffice up to 11.80 a.m. and 8.80 Per Coromandel, from Hongkong: for p.m. Letters from Kowloon Point may be posted Police Compound outside the Charge Room up robbery, senders of letters from Kowloon are re-

> Temperature. (Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.) HONGRONG, Dec. 24, 1898. 1 p.m.... 30,14 4 P.M. ... --THERMOMETER-9 A.M.... 1 P.M.... 64 & P.M. and also (Web bulb) 9 A.M. 54 1 P.M. 56 Do. 4 P.M. -Do. Maximum Do. Minimum overnight 59

Quotations. Hongkong, Dec. 24, 1898 PIUM-New Patns, cash, sa. 795/7971 ,, cash, ... Nom. New Benazes, cash, 785 cash ... Nom. New Malwa, credit... 720/75 Allowance. Tacls. ... 4/70. Last Year new, 4. 780 Allowance, Tsels, ... 0 Old Malwa oredit ... 780 Allowance. Tack and B. Parmett, Taper Hed 703 Allerspor Tress in

MEMOS, FOR TO-MORROW, Shipping. Daylight - Bulmun leaves for Blow, &c.

MEMOS, FOR MONDAY. Shipping. Noon. - Robilia leaves for Japan. Amusements. 9 p.m. ... Performance of A. D. C. of the

Miscellaneous. Goods per Indus unclaimed after Noon. this date, subject to rent. Goods per Hongkong Maru undelivered after this date subject to rent. Insurance Offices close. Local Banks close.

H.M.S. Powerful, in the City Hall

General Memoranda. Tuesday, December 27 :--Goods per Suisang undelivered after this date subject to reut. Insurance Offices close. Local Banks close.

WEDNESDAY, December 28 :-8 p.m. - Auction of Crown Land at Barker Road. Goods per Vindebona undelivered after this date subject to rent. TRURSDAY, December 29:-

Great Eastern and Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., at the Registered Road Central. S p.m -Auction of Crown Land at Wanchai Road, Bowrington, (near Canal). 3 p.m.-Auction of Lessehold and Ra-

SATURDAY. December 31 :--Final Instalment of \$30 per Share of the by the inextinguishable laughter of Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Co., Ltd., due. Final Call due on Green Island Cement Company shares.

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Honorona, December 24, 1828 On London-Bank, Wire. 80 days' sight. 4 months clabt. Documentary, 4 months sight, On Paris-On demand, Oradits, 4 months' sight, On Berlin-Demand.... On New York-On demand. Oredita, 60 days sight,... On Bombay-Wire, On Calcutta-On demand. On Singapore-On demand. On Manila-On demand. On Shanubai— On demand. 30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 73 On Yokohama-On demand, Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)... Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)

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At the General Hospital, Shanghal, on the 18th December, ARTHUR OLIFF, ages 17 years

The publication of this fame commenced at 5.00 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONOKONO, BATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1888.

Ten celebration of Christmas is a compound of plety, poetry and paganism; and of these paganism came first, and is, to this day, in most places the predominant element Christianity did not invent Christman. It found the midwinter festival with most of the coremonies that mark it ready to hand, stamped its seal theron and claimed it asits own. The legend is one of the highest antiquity and the widesh extent. To Baldur the Beautiful, one form of the Office of the Company, 7, Queen's Sun-god, was believed invulnerable. So confident were all the gods of Asgard of this fact that it was a favourite amusement to ast Baldur in their midst and hurl clamation Property, at No. 9, Praya things at him. Primitive humour seems have been coarse and very practical, as seen gods at the lameness of Hephaestus in the first book of the Iliad. Baldur's mother, fearing that her son might be injurad went shout the earth, and took an oath from all in and on the earth and in the sky that none of them would hurt him, Unhappily, as the Mistletoe belongs to neither earth nor beaven, growing in midair on the branches of a tree, it was over-...1/1114 looked, and no promise exacted from it Thin Loki the Evil learned, and from mistletoe twigs he fashioned arrows which 2.52 he gave to the blind god Hoder that he might join the sport. The mistletce arrow alew Baldur, and thence it is that we pagans of to-day hang the fatal bush in our halls and greet each other beneath it with the kies of peace to prove that treachery exists no longer. Virgil knew the Christmas tree-I Oscilla

> Sed legs fumoso non aspernanda Decembri Cormina, mittuntur quas tibi mense mo, Commodius nisi forte tibi, potiusque videtur, Saturnalitias, perdere Varra, nues ('Read my lines, not to be despised in smoky December and sent you in that month of sport, -unless, perchance, it seems fitter and more desirable, my Varro, to waste your time bankrupting yourself of Christmas nuts.") But-in these headlong days, a Latin quotation is a pedantry to be

ex alta suspendent mollia pinu, (They

hang the pretty dolls on the lofty-pine.')

and the innocent gambling with nuts is

cited by Martial in the epigram where he

It is a strange fall from a high and holy ceremony to a child's game, but it is characteristic of our advancing civilisation that the exclusive duties and privileges of the highest and holiest of ancient priests and prophets have become the frivolities suited only to youth and high spirits. Christmas itself has lost some of its charm for men and women who have not the wisdom to Per des. Oars, see the value of time well wasted, and who

lease sports and pastimes to the young. Christmas then has become mainly the children's feast. The turmoil of life, intensifying and becoming more complicated with higher civilization, has left their seniors little time or inclination for the exchange of trifling gifts and the hamours of the old Saturnalia; but all adults have children or nephews and nieces or young friends to amuse, and it is at this season that we snatch a day to devote ourselves to them. From the stockings that are emptied on the nursery floor at daybreak to the christmas tree, gifts and games that send them exhausted but happy to bed, hands and hearts full of toys and joys, the day is theirs. Then at last we have time

for eadness again : 'The game of forfeits done, the girls all Beneath the sacred bush and passed away, a hush comes over us as we think of the days when we also lived in Bohemis and

ginger was hot i' the mouth. Now Christmas has become to us the B, C, and CC are excellent dinner Wines | signal for bills and stock-taking, a busy time for the winding up of the year's work, and The silk ex C. P. R. Co.'s s. Empress arranging schemes for the year to come.

The season is one of charity as well as good cheer. Eat the fat and drink the sweet, and send a portion to them for whom nothing is prepared.' It opens the heart and the purse, and at this time it is hard-Sample bottles and smaller quantities est to turn away the beggar empty. The traditions of Christman are many, and the superstitions connected with it innumerable. Every country child in the west knows that at this season the beasts of the farm have the gift of speech and proscionce, though it is unlucky to hear their words. Spirits to be gennine when bought direct . The season has at all times inspired

Some say that over gainst that season Wherein our Saviour's birth is celebrated. Manager. The bird of dawning singeth all night long And then, they say, no spirit can walk The nights are wholesome; then no planets No fairy takes, nor witch bath power to

So hallowed and so gracious is the time.

Christmas gulokens the latter's unagou tomed pen to a similar strain |--Thou whose birth on earth Angels song to men. While they stars made mith, Bavious at thy birth, This day born again, As this night was bright With thy cradle ray, Very light of light Turn the wild world's night To thy perfect day, From the height of night Was not thine the star

That led forth with might,

But no worldly light.

Wise men from afar ! The poem is too long to quote, but a fragment will show the power of Christmas to raise a non-Ohristian genius to a height he would otherwise never have reached.

The most touching stanzas of In Memoriam are those beginning: The time draws near the birth of Christ: The moon is hid : the night is still,

Answer each other in the mist. The moral of it all is that of Words-

The world is too much with us, late and

Noon .- Meeting of Shareholders of the take merely the Scandinavian variant, Gaining and getting we lay waste our Little we see in nature that is ours ; We have given our hearts away, a sordid

And it is clearly a duty as well as a delight, desipers in lose, to seize all the joy, highest and lowest alike, that Christmas brings, and return later, after Twelfth night t may be, according to the laws of King Alfred, to the work now laid saids that we may give ourselves and each other

A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A GLAD NEW YEAR-

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(SUPPLIED TRROVER ALUTES.) OUTHARD BOOKE :-- Romailus. - Nov. 6 Asturia, Beniario, 15; Canfa, Flintshire, 22 : Gisela, Mulaosa, Triente, Benledi, Dorothen Rickmers, 29; Kintuck, Lags, Ulyses, Dec. 2: Canton, Tentalus, 8: Indralema. Sikh, Socotra, Babelsburg, Pladimir, 91 Patrochie, Norman, Isles, 19; Samia, Vinebranch, 161 Glenesk, Preussen. Ettripkdale, Stolberg, 20.

Mods.

ENGLISH MAIL of 20th Nov., left Bingapore on Monday, the 19th Dec., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 25th Dec. This Packet brings replies to letters deswith mails &c., left San Francisco for this port via Honolulu, Yokohama,

Shanghai, on the 15th Dec. e P. & O. Co. a s. a Penawur leit Singaporo for this port on the such The P. M. s. s. Co.'s chartered steamer Shantung, with mails &o., has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port on the morning of 22nd Dec., via Kobe. he C. P. R. Co.'s s. s Empress of China arrived at Nagasaki at 7 a.m., on Friday, the 23rd Dec., and will leave at 9 p.m., of same day for Shanghal,

Inland Soa, Kobe, Nagasaki and

on Sunday, the 25th Dec. Steamers Expected. s. s. Rudnorshire, from London, has left Singapore, and is due here on or about the 22nd Dec. The N. G. I. s. s. Hormida left Singapore for this port on the 19th Dec., and is

where the is due to arrive at 11 a.m.

The N. Y. K. s. s. Riojun Maru left Kobe, via Moji for this port on the 18th Dec., and is expected to arrive here on the 24th Dec. The N. Y. K. s. s. Milki Maru left Moji, for this port on the 20th Dec., and is expected to arrive here on the 25th

The N. Y. K. s. s. Omi Mara left Robe; arrive here on the 27th Dec. The s. s. Koh-i-noor, from Calcutta, left ing of 19th Dec. The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Molacca left Sin-

The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Monmonthshire sailed from Portland, Or., for Japan and Hongkong, on the 3rd Dec. The N. P. Co.'s 3. s. Ningchow arrived at Yokohama from Portland, Or., and left for Kobe and Hong. kong on the 15th Dec. The N. P. Co.'s s. s. Olympia sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 1st Dec.

The N. P. Co's s. s. Glenogle sailed from Tacoma, for Japan and Hongkong, on the 7th Dec. The N P. Co 's s. s. Zacom's has arrived at Yokohama, and sailed for Tacoma, on the 23rd Dec.

Latest Advices.

The P. & O. Co.'s s. s. Mazagon left Bombay for this port on the evening of the 22nd Dec. of India was delivered in New York on the 22nd Dec. The O. & O. Co.'ss. s. Coptic, with mails &c. will leave Shanghai for this port

Church, morning and evening. * THERE will be no issue of the China

We would remind our readers of Monday's performance in the City Hall. Doors will open at 8 30, and the curtain rises at nineo'clock. The Powerful's deserve to be well supported in their appeal for Naval charities. Lieutenant Streatfield is the Stage

The Post Office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, the 28th and 37th inst., and

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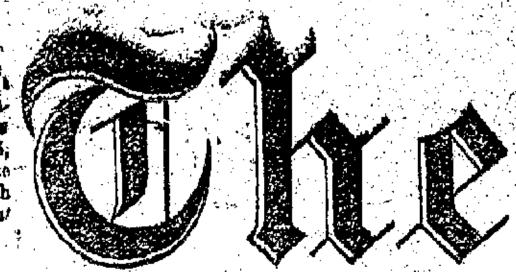
via Moji, for this port on the 20th Dec., at noon, and is expected to Singapore for this port on the morngapore for this port on the 19th Dec.,

on Monday, the 26th Dec., at 9 a.m. CHRISTMAS Services will be held in Union

Mail on Monday-Boxing Day.

on Monday, the 2nd January, except from 8 to 9 a.m. Letters for Hongkong, Peak and Kowleon may be posted up to 0 a.m. It is far from Shakespeare to Swinburne, The night box will be kept open. The Star but the same idea of the ballowed grace of Money Order Calley will be entirely excee

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A, M. THOMSON,

Postmaster General 952

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OUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

DAY, the 2nd January, 1899, will be observed as HOLIDAYS at the Kowloon

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